

DREF operation



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BURUNDI: FLOODS

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The International Federation's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) is a source of un-earmarked money created by the Federation in 1985 to ensure that immediate financial support is available for Red Cross and Red Crescent emergency response. The DREF is a vital part of the International Federation's disaster response system and increases the ability of National Societies to respond to disasters.

CHF 29,829 has been allocated from the Federation's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) to support the National Society in delivering immediate assistance to some 137 households. Unearmarked funds to repay DREF are encouraged.

Summary: Between 20 March and 3 April 2011, heavy rains were experienced in Bujumbura Capital and subsequent flooding affected the three communes of Ngagara, Cibitoke and Kinama. An estimated 137 families' houses were damaged. In Sabe Area in Ngagara Commune, 30 cases of cholera were reported.

The Burundi Red Cross Society (BRCS) branch Emergency Brigade Teams carried out an assessment, where non-food items were identified as the most immediate need, along with shelter, as well as disinfection equipment to prevent the risk of further cholera outbreaks. Red Cross volunteers have already been mobilized to disseminate hygiene messages in Sabe area where the cholera cases were reported.



An Emergency Brigade Team member discussing with a family whose house was completely destroyed. PHOTO/BRCS

This operation will support provision of the essential non food items and shelter, as well as targeted disinfection and hygiene promotion activities aimed at preventing the spread of cholera and other water-borne diseases.

This operation is expected to be implemented over 1 month, and will therefore be completed by 15 May 2011. A Final Report will be made available three months after the end of the operation, by 15 August 2011.

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The situation

The three communes of Ngagara, Kinama and Cibitoke were affected by heavy rains between 20 March and 3 April 2011. A total of 137 houses have been destroyed: 29 in Sabe (Ngagara Commune) as well as 36 in

Kinama and 72 in Cibitoke communes. The most affected city was Sabe area, where there were 30 reported cases of cholera.

The Burundi Red Cross Society (BRCS) Emergency Brigade Team carried out an assessment and identified non-food items (NFIs) as the most immediate need. This includes shelter as well as disinfection products (granular chlorine) and equipment (sprayer pumps, boots, and gloves) to disinfect affected areas. There was also need for dissemination of hygiene promotion messages to help prevent further cholera outbreaks. The IFRC DREF funds will go towards assisting the most vulnerable households with such NFIs as well as treatment and prevention of outbreak of waterborne diseases, including cholera.

Coordination and partnerships

The coordination of the floods operation on the ground will be done by BRCS branches in partnership with branch-based volunteers who have been trained as Emergency Brigade Teams. Refresher training on cholera outbreak management for volunteers will be organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Public Health.

The United Nation's Children's Fund (UNICEF), Burundi Office and Burundi Red Cross Society have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to coordinate humanitarian operation in case of disasters. UNICEF has provided two trucks to the National Society to facilitate water trucking to the affected communities. UNICEF will also support a refresher training session in cholera outbreak management for the Emergency Brigade Team. BRCS is also in discussion with UNICEF on the possibility of providing a few tarpaulins to the affected people. The National Society also signed an MoU with the Ministry of Solidarity, who have pledged to provide iron sheets for shelter purposes.

The Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) is intended to assist the BRCS to respond rapidly to the immediate needs of the affected population. The National Society will be in regular contact with the Federation East Africa Regional Office to ensure proper coordination of flood response activities. In addition, the National Society will coordinate with Médecins Sans Frontiers (MSF) and the World Health Organization on matters related to disease outbreaks.

Red Cross and Red Crescent action

The BRCS Disaster Management (DM) Department, in collaboration with Focal Point disaster management teams of the affected communes mobilized their Emergency Brigade teams for a rapid assessment of the situation in all areas. This team worked in coordination with CARE international, Civil Protection, Ministry of Health and local administration authorities to identify the most affected households. Red Cross volunteers were also mobilized to disseminate hygiene messages in Sabe area (Ngagara Commune) where 30 Cholera cases were reported.

The needs

The initial assessments conducted by the Emergency Brigade Teams produced the following analysis from the three communes affected by floods.



Some of the displaced households as a result of the floods. PHOTO/BRCS

Table 1: Number of destroyed houses in the three communes

Affected Communes	Destroyed houses	People affected
Ngagara-Sabe	29	174
Kinama	36	187
Cibitoke	72	368
Total	137	729

From the initial assessment, the Burundi Red Cross has identified a total of 137 households who are affected by the floods. Some of the affected households were living in rental houses (as tenants) and decided to move to other areas. Most of these tenants have the necessary resources to purchase/replace what was damaged by the floods. From the 137 affected households, a total of 60 households are in need of wood and nails to reconstruct their damaged houses.

Table 2: NFI needs for flood-affected households

Relief Items	No of NFIs per household (NFIs/HH)	Total No of NFIs	Notes
Blankets	3 pieces	108	For 36 HHs
Jerry cans	2 pieces	274	For 137 HHs
Tarpaulins for Sabe Area	1 piece	80	For 80 HHs
Plastic sheeting	2 pieces	80	For 40 HHs
Soaps(100gms)	8 pieces	1096	For 137 HHs
Cooking sets	1 set	108	For 108 HHs
Mosquito net distribution done by MoH	3 pieces	0	-
Hoes	3 pieces	108	For 36 HHs
Kangas (Clothing materials)	3 clothes	411	For 137 HHs
Bags	1 bag	108	For 108 HHs
Mats	3 mats	411	For 137 HHs
Building materials (wood and nails)	Lumpsum	Lumpsum	For 80 HHs
Ropes for facilitating NFI distribution	-	15	-

Table 3: Needs in terms of equipment to facilitate disinfection of target areas as well as for hygiene

Equipment and products	Quantity
Sprayer pumps	8
Protective goggles	8
Boots	10
Protective clothing	10
Gloves	10
Kit for chlorine dosages (container, spoon, etc.)	5
Microphones for awareness sessions	5

The proposed operation

Relief distributions (basic non-food items)	
Outcome: 137 displaced families have the basic household items necessary for daily living.	
Expected Result	Activities planned:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Burundi Red Cross has the necessary resources and capacity to provide immediate relief to 137 households affected by floods for 1 month 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the most vulnerable households Procure and transport NFIs (as indicated in Table 2) to the three affected communes Mobilize BRCS volunteers for NFI distribution Organize NFI distribution in the three communes Monitor and keep accurate records on NFI distribution

Emergency health	
Outcome: Timely response to cholera outbreaks in Sabe area and prevention of further outbreaks, thus reducing the incidence of cholera and other water-borne diseases.	
Expected Result	Activities planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Burundi Red Cross Society's Emergency Brigade Team and volunteers have the necessary capacity to respond to cholera outbreak as well as prevent further outbreaks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organize one refresher training on cholera outbreak management for 10 volunteers, in coordination with the MoH Procure chlorine solution, 8 sprayer pumps, 8 protective goggles, 10 pairs of boots, 10 pieces of protective clothing, 10 pairs of gloves, 5 kits for chlorine dosages and 5 microphones for facilitating hygiene promotion. Organize awareness campaigns to disseminate hygiene messages and promote home water treatment in the affected communes. Organize disinfection activities in the affected areas.

A portion of the funding will be used for travel of the Nairobi-based IFRC technical team to monitor and otherwise support the operation.

How we work

All International Federation assistance seeks to adhere to the [Code of Conduct for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and Non-Governmental Organizations \(NGO's\) in Disaster Relief](#) and the [Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response \(Sphere\)](#) in delivering assistance to the most vulnerable.

The International Federation's vision is to inspire, encourage, facilitate and promote at all times all forms of humanitarian activities by National Societies, with a view to preventing and alleviating human suffering, and thereby contributing to the maintenance and promotion of human dignity and peace in the world.

The International Federation's work is guided by [Strategy 2020](#) which puts forward three strategic aims:

1. Save lives, protect livelihoods, and strengthen recovery from disaster and crises.
2. Enable healthy and safe living.
3. Promote social inclusion and a culture of non-violence and peace.

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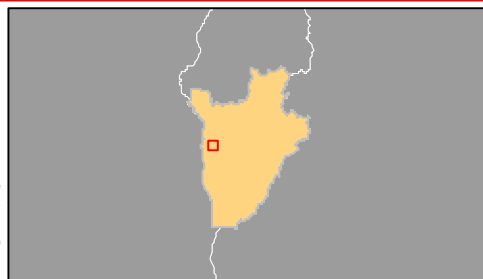
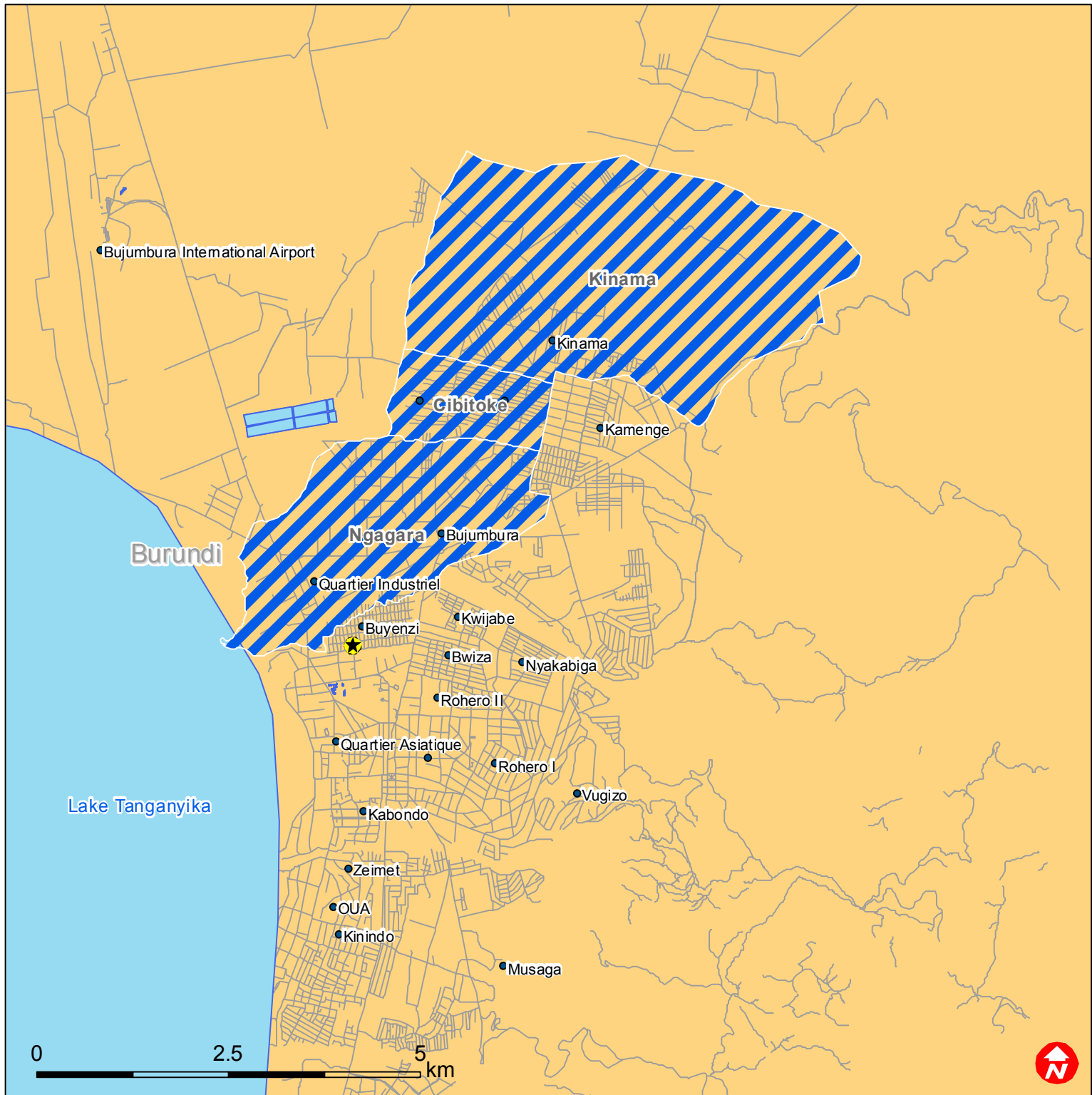
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BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Group	DREF Grant Budget	TOTAL BUDGET CHF
Shelter - Relief	3,104	3,104
Shelter - Transitional		0
Construction - Housing		0
Construction - Facilities / Infrastructure		0
Construction - Materials	4,703	4,703
Clothing & Textiles	3,636	3,636
Food		0
Seeds & Plants		0
Water & Sanitation	1,061	1,061
Medical & First Aid		0
Teaching Materials		0
Utensils & Tools	6,494	6,494
Other Supplies & Services & Cash Disbursements		0
Total Supplies	18,998	18,998
Land & Buildings		0
Vehicles		0
Computer & Telecom		0
Office/Household Furniture & Equipment		0
Medical Equipment	768	768
Other Machinery & Equipment		0
Total Land, vehicles & equipment	768	768
Storage		0
Distribution & Monitoring	968	968
Transport & Vehicle Costs	2,016	2,016
Total Transport & Storage	2,984	2,984
International Staff		0
Regionally Deployed Staff	3,000	3,000
National Staff	1,452	1,452
National Society Staff		0
Other Staff benefits		0
Consultants		0
Total Personnel	4,452	4,452
Workshops & Training		0
Total Workshops & Training	0	0
Travel		0
Information & Public Relation		0
Office Costs		0
Communications	806	806
Professional Fees		0
Financial Charges		0
Other General Expenses		0
Total General Expenditure	806	806
Cash Transfers to National Societies		0
Cash Transfers to 3rd parties		0
Total Contributions & Transfers	0	0
Program Support	1,821	1,821
Total Programme Support	1,821	1,821
Services & Recoveries		0
Shared Services		0
Total Services	0	0
TOTAL BUDGET	29,829	29,829



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 Affected areas